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- (c) Preparation of solutions of arsphenamine and technique of its administration.
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The lecturers and demonstrators are able and experienced men. The course is free and will be given twice. The first course will be given June 14-19, 1920, and the second course June 24-26. The number of physicians taking the work is limited to fifteen in each course.

Applications must be sent to the Health Bureau, Chestnut and James Streets, Rochester, N. Y., and those applying for the first course must have their applications in by June 12. Those applying for the second course should have their applications in by June 19.

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### GARBAGE-DISPOSAL ORDINANCE HELD VALID.

An ordinance of the city of Joplin, which provides that the city may "contract with a suitable person, firm or corporation, for the exclusive right to dispose of the garbage in the city," has been declared valid<sup>1</sup> by the Supreme Court of Missouri.

Pursuant to the ordinance the plaintiff was, by contract, given the exclusive right to collect and dispose of garbage. The defendants removed garbage in violation of the ordinance, and the plaintiff sought to enjoin such removal. The defendants contended that the ordinance was void because it authorized the city to make an exclusive contract for the removal and disposal of garbage, and also that the ordinance was destructive of property rights.

The supreme court, however, granted an injunction, holding the ordinance to be the fair exercise of the police power lodged in the city. The court disposed of the contentions of the defendants by holding that in such a case the city is exercising its police power in the interest of the public health and is not establishing a monopoly, and that the value of the owner's rights in garbage "is so inconsequential that they are absorbed and lost in the greater rights of the State to protect such owner and the public at large from the dire effects of improper methods in the handling and disposition of the same."

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<sup>1</sup> Valley Spring Hog Ranch Co. v. Plagmann et al., 220 S. W., 1.